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EDITORIAL.

AS winter is again approaching, and outdoor activities must give place to recreation of a more intellectual and social nature, it seem appropriate to suggest the forming of a debating club similar to that of last winter. That was limited to members of the two upper classes and great satisfaction was expressed over the results obtained. Why would it not be possible this year to have a debating society, including the whole college, or at least two societies, one for the upper and another for the lower classes. It would be needless to enter upon a detailed exposition of the practical benefits of such societies. They have always justified their formation. Let us have at least one debating society formed.

That suggestion leads naturally to the question, "Why are not inter-class debates possible?" If the object of steady training for several months could be a series of debates between the classes, the attendant interest and class feeling could not but prove helpful. A combination of the Senior and Sophomore classes against the Juniors and Freshmen might be easily arranged, giving practically no odds through more experience. The matter is certainly worth considering seriously.

To go a step further in the same direction, it would certainly be possible and advantageous to arrange joint debates with sister colleges in Vermont. Middlebury should be willing to undertake the contest. Victory would be of less importance than the idea of an intercollegiate contest of brains. There would be no danger of physical injuries, no need of corporeal size and no cancelling on account of lack of funds or substitutes. Surely in this field Middlebury can hold her own. We would never admit that she is afraid of the trial.

Such a contest would necessitate as careful training as the most desperate football game, but it should give as good results. This, too, is another idea worthy of serious consideration. It would entail practically no outlay of money. We would not need to hire a coach, travelling expenses would be small and if we might make a creditable showing, the time would be considered well spent.

WE would like to offer a suggestion to our alumni. Suggestions are easily given, and perhaps as easily forgotten, but this one seems worthy of a better fate than sudden death. Surely in the life of a college, which is already nearing its one hundredth birthday, there must be some incidents striking enough to furnish the basis of a college story. When our larger colleges are issuing volumes of distinctive stories, it would seem that Middlebury's history must be really monotonous if it, too, can not show interesting and striking incidents. The exploits of olden or more recent days, if tinctured with a certain amount of originality, would fill the measure. No loyal class

law at Sheldon, Vt. He was admitted to the bar in Franklin county and began practicing at East Berkshire. He removed to Sheldon shortly, where he remained six years, after which he removed to St. Albans. He represented both St. Albans and Sheldon in the State Legislature and was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1822.

From 1825 to 1827 he was Justice of the Supreme Court. In 1829 he was again elected Justice and served until 1852, having received twenty-three successive elections and having served in all twenty-five years as Justice of the Supreme Court, the longest period the office has ever been held by any one in this state.—He was Chief Justice from 1846 to 1851. In 1852 he declined re-election and returned to East Berkshire. He ran for Governor in 1854 at the time of the excitement concerning the Nebraska Bill. It was a critical period. The Republican party was just forming, and events were taking such a turn that all citizens were interested. Royce was elected by a majority of 11,000. He served until 1856. He received the degree of L. L. D. from the University of Vermont in 1837. He was a man of a retiring disposition, though very courteous and congenial. He lived to the ripe age of eighty-three and was almost the last to depart of that great group of Vermont statesmen.

Carlos Coolidge of the class of 1811, another Governor, began the study of law soon after graduation, and was admitted to the bar at Windsor, Vt., where he began practicing. He was made State's Attorney in 1831 and held this office for five years. He represented Windsor in the State Legislature four times, and was Speaker of the House in 1836 and from 1839 to 1842. He was elected Governor in 1848 and served until 1850. The University of Vermont in 1835 conferred upon him the degree of A. M.; and Middlebury in 1849 the degree of L. L. D. He died in 1866.

The next governor came from the class of 1815. Silas Wright, who was governor of the Empire state from 1845 to 1847, who held many honorable offices and who is in many respect our greatest alumnus, is too well known, or should be, to need more than a mere mention here.

Horace Eaton of the class of 1825, who was governor of Vermont after William Slade and immediately before Carlos Coolidge, was a physician. He was principal of the Addison County Grammar

school in 1826 and later studied medicine with Dr. Eaton of Enosburg and at the Castleton Medical College. He began practicing at Enosburg in 1828 and continued to practice there until 1848 when he was elected professor of chemistry at Middlebury. He remained here until 1854.

He entered public life in 1829, serving as representative or state senator almost continuously until 1843. He was Lieutenant-Governor from 1843 to 1845, Governor from 1846 to 1848, and State Superintendent of Schools from 1848 to 1850. He received the degree of A. M. from Castleton in 1828. He gave up his professorship in 1854 and returned to the practice of medicine. He died in 1855 aged 51 years and was buried at Enosburg, Vt.

John W. Stewart of the class of 1846 was governor of Vermont from 1870 until 1872. His grandfather was a revolutionary soldier, who was with Montgomery at Quebec and with Stark at Bennington. Besides being Governor, Mr. Stewart has held many offices. He has been seven times representative from Middlebury, four times speaker of the house, once State senator and four times congressman. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1858. Governor Stewart still resides in Middlebury, taking an active interest in the prosperity of the college and commanding the respect of all who know him.

THE FIRST CENTENNIAL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN NEW HAVEN, VERMONT.

The Congregational church in New Haven has been so peculiarly connected in its history with Middlebury College that some mention should be made in the UNDERGRADUATE of the celebration of its first centennial. We are in receipt of an account of the proceedings on that occasion, together with the historical papers and addresses. In the morning, Aug. 25, the address of welcome was given by the pastor, Rev. C. N. Thomas, '61. His greeting was most hearty and his words peculiarly well chosen. He then read what he called a preliminary historical statement. To use his own words, it consisted of "a brief statement touching the early settlement of this town (New Haven), portraying also, as well as might be, the life of the people, and especially calling attention to those things which led

up to the organization of the church on the 23d of May, 1897." His pictures of those early times, with striking description and carefully drawn character sketches, show careful research and happy phrasing.

The historical address was given by Rev. E. H. Byington, D. D., of Newton, Mass. The address abounded in references to Middlebury College and her graduates. At the installation of the second pastor, Rev. Josiah Hopkins, Jeremiah Atwater, the first president of Middlebury College was ordained. Mr. Hopkins himself received the degrees of A. M. and D. D. from the college, though a self-educated man.

The third pastor, Rev. Joel Fisk, was a graduate of Middlebury in the class of 1825. The fifth pastor of the church was Mr. James Meacham, at that time, 1838, a tutor in Middlebury College. He soon ranked among the best preachers in the state, and enjoyed a prosperous ministry of over eight years. In 1846 he resigned to become professor of rhetoric and English literature in Middlebury.

He is perhaps better known as a member of Congress than a preacher, having served for seven years as a congressman.

His successor, Rev. Samuel Hurlbut, was also a graduate of Middlebury, in the class of 1839. He had remarkable success as a pastor and was one of the leaders in the founding of the Academy.

The seventh pastor, Rev. Calvin B. Hulbert was trustee of Middlebury college from 1866 to 1875 and president of the college for five years. After an interval of several years another pastor was settled, also a graduate of Middlebury, Rev. Stephen Knowlton, '57.

The next two pastors were graduates of other colleges, but the present pastor, Rev. C. N. Thomas, '61, who has been in New Haven since 1890, is not only a graduate of Middlebury but a trustee and most loyal friend.

Appended to the address was a list of ministers and missionaries that have gone out from the congregation and nearly all were Middlebury graduates.

At the afternoon session, addresses were made by Rev. George N. Boardman, '47, Profs. Howard and Eaton, and Hon. L. D. Eldridge, Rev. R. J. Barton and others. The exercises were closed with an evening of a social and musical nature. We have written so full an account of this centennial, not alone

because of its intrinsic interest, but because of the remarkable part played in its history by Middlebury men. We doubt if any other church in the state can duplicate the record.

ALUMNI NEWS.

[Any alumni or others who have old programs, announcements or papers of college interest would confer a favor on the college by sending them to Prof. M. R. Sanford. In view of the coming centennial, it is desired to collect a series of articles which would be of interest to graduates and friends of the college.]

[Contributions to this column are solicited from the alumni of the college. We shall always be glad to hear from you. Literary articles, verse, but above all reminiscences and news of alumni are desired. We intend to make this department the prominent feature of the UNDERGRADUATE.]

[The alumni will render a great service to the management by notifying the Business Manager of a change of address, should there be any. We have several names whose changed address we have discovered by mere accident, and there may be others to whom we are sending papers wrongly directed. Such notification will also be of assistance to the editor in obtaining alumni news.]

'26. Philip Battell, the second oldest alumnus of the college and one of its best friends, died at his home in Middlebury, Dec. 1. The funeral was held on the following Friday at 11 a. m. at the Congregational Church. College exercises were suspended to allow the faculty and students to attend, and the large number present at the church testified to the place Mr. Battell held in the hearts of all.

We copy the following from the Rutland Herald of Thursday morning:

Philip Battell came of one of the earliest New England families, his ancestry tracing back through several lines to the Pilgrims of 1620. His father, Joseph Battell, was a prominent citizen and merchant of Norfolk, Conn., where Philip was born November 28, 1807. He fitted for college at Lenox and Granville, Mass., and was admitted to Yale before his 15th birthday. His elder brother, Joseph, the builder of Battell chapel at Yale, had become a student at Middlebury three years before, so Philip came here, graduating in the class of 1826. Among his classmates were the late Senator Solomon Foot, Prof. Edwin Hall and Rev. Dr. Martin M. Post. Mr. Battell then took up the study of law and in 1829 was admitted to the bar. After practicing for four years in Connecticut he moved to Cleveland, O., where he remained for five years. In 1836 he

married the daughter of Horatio Seymour of Middlebury, a lawyer and for many years United States senator. Mrs. Battell's health suffered from the climate of Cleveland and in 1838 the young couple returned to Middlebury, where Mr. Battell has ever since resided. Mrs. Battell died November 3, 1841, leaving two children, a daughter, now the wife of John W. Stewart, and a son, Joseph.

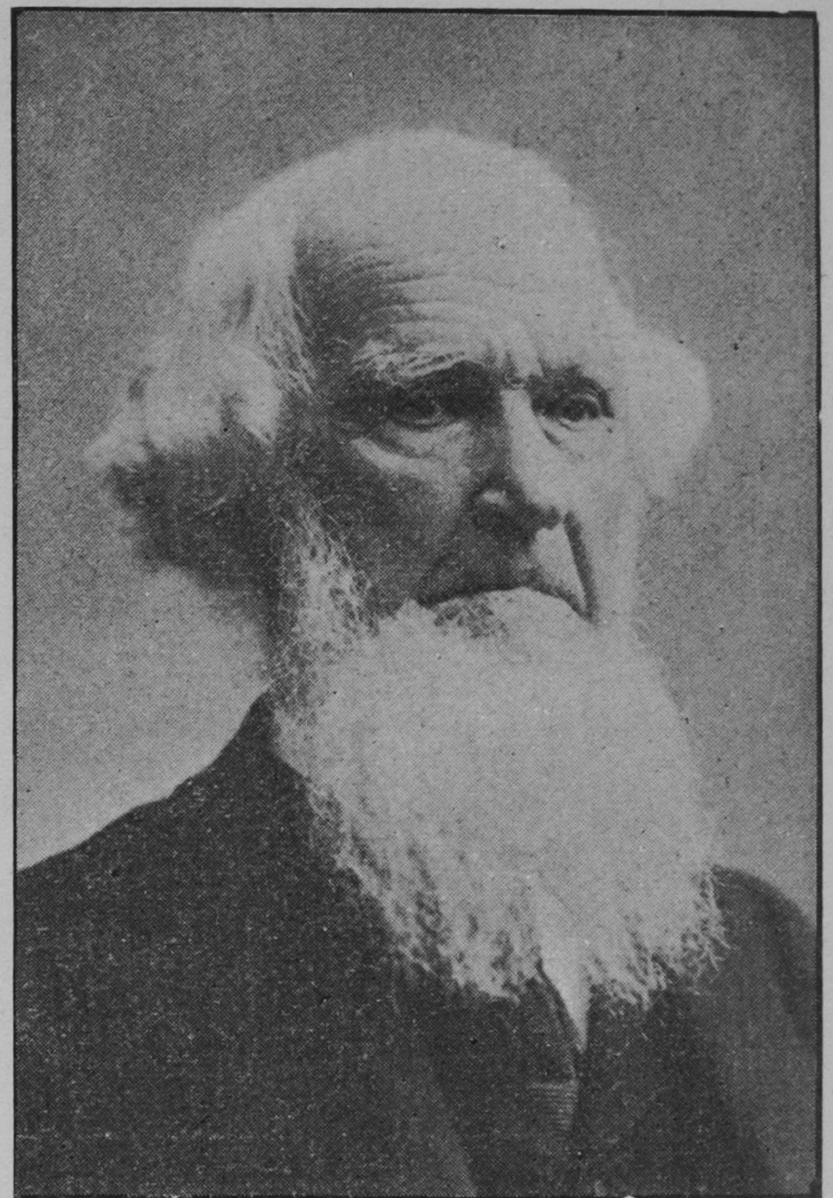
No resident of Middlebury could be more universally missed or more fondly remembered than Mr. Battell. He was a man of singularly wide interests. Every movement looking to the betterment of the community intellectually, socially or materially, had his enthusiastic support and substantial assistance. He was deeply read in history, particularly that of Middlebury, Addison county and New England, and he had a broad acquaintance with literature in general. But he was no mere pedant. He wanted to see Middlebury a handsome town, fully equipped with every institution which should enhance its desirability as a place of residence. He saw to it that the village was amply supplied with shade trees and that other public improvements were made. Educational affairs early claimed his attention, and till his death he was a liberal giver in that direction, the college in later years being the chief recipient of his assistance. So long ago as 1843 he organized the Middlebury Historical society, under whose auspices forefathers' day has been observed here annually for more than 50 years. But he did not limit his sympathies to public affairs. He not only wished well to his town as such, but to every individual in it. Young men in particular found in him an appreciative friend, a wise counselor and an inspirer of effort to the attainment of the highest moral and mental culture.

29. Hon. Calvin Tilden Hurlburd, LL. D., died at his home in Brasher Falls, N. Y., on Sunday night, Oct. 24, at the age of 89. The family was from Vermont and had settled in the town of Stockholm, N. Y., when that part of the country was in the wilderness. Calvin was born there, in a log house, in 1809. His early life was that of the first settlers of the period, passed in the hard work necessary in making the forest into cleared and settled land.

Educational facilities of those days were limited and young Hurlburd started his school-life in a log house stockaded to keep out marauding Indians. Yet the young student persevered, reading all the

books which he could obtain and early resolving to have a college education. The Congregational ministers of the vicinity assisted him in his preparation and at sixteen he came to Vermont and entered Middlebury college. He made good use of his opportunities, graduating in 1829, an apt student, especially prominent in literature and debate. He then studied law in Albany and Troy, besides taking a course in the Yale law school, being admitted to the bar in 1833. He soon abandoned practice, being unable to stand the confinement of an office.

Mr. Hurlburd was the founder of the village of Brasher Falls, where he built mills, stores and shops, being the first post-master and serving for many



HON. CALVIN TILDEN HURLBURD, LL. D.

years as Justice of the Peace and Supervisor. He was frequently called upon to deliver lectures before lyceums and gatherings of various natures.

In politics he became prominent in the early forties. From 1842 to 1844, he represented his district in the State Legislature where he entered upon a vigorous denunciation against extravagance in the expenditure of State funds. His policy was, "Bring the credit of the State to par and pay as work is done."

As chairman of the "committee on colleges, academies and public schools," he insisted that women were peculiarly fitted to be teachers, and

this policy, then practically unknown, is now universally conceded. Mr. Hurlburt was an earnest student of educational methods and he was sent to visit and inspect the normal schools just established in Massachusetts. His report advocated the establishing of a normal school at Albany, to be supported by the State. The measure was bitterly opposed, but his will and perseverance were finally rewarded by the establishment of the State Normal and Training School of Albany, which has since developed into the New York State Normal School and which has been followed by the establishment of ten other normal schools in the State. Dr. Hurlburt has been called "the father of State Normal Schools of New York."

When the country was convulsed by the outbreak of the Civil War, the demand for men of experience and ability led the district to again send Mr. Hurlburt to the Assembly. He became chairman of the committee on Ways and Means and in that capacity did much to put financial matters on a firm footing. He advocated the building of additional fortifications in New York harbor, and was the object of much ridicule for his earnestness in the matter, but when the Merrimac was steaming north before the Monitor met her, men acknowledged that Hurlburt was right and should have been listened to.

Up to middle life Mr. Hurlburt had been a Jacksonian Democrat, but when that party supported the secessionists, he went over the Republican party and was sent to Congress in 1863. His first speech in that body was delivered in support of Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation. The speech was admired throughout the country for its force and eloquence. While in Congress he became famous for his terrible denunciation of fraud and corruption in government offices. He remained a member of Congress till 1869.

In that year, at the urgent request of Secretary Boutwell, he became Superintendent of Construction of the New York City post office. Millions of dollars passed through his hands, but he never for a moment listened to attempts to bribe him and court his favor. Even the papers of opposite political views praised his honest and able administration of affairs.

When about seventy years of age Mr. Hurlburt became interested in mining industries in Colorado, but the enterprise was not a paying success. An

incident of that time will illustrate the characteristic energy and will of the man. Being thirty miles from his mine at one time, and being charged a dollar a mile for carriage to it, he bought a team for \$350, drove in and found that he had made money by the deal, as his team was worth more than he had paid for it. Instead of paying exorbitant board bills, he built a log house and boarded himself for forty cents a day. His entire life was one of usefulness and benefaction. He was especially interested in the Irish. His sympathies were stirred by the wrongs suffered by Ireland and he was continually trying to help Irish children of promise to obtain an education. Where he was buried, the postoffice, schools, stores and places of business were closed and the whole village united to do honor to his memory. Middlebury has reason to be proud of such a son. He was always interested in the college and was for many years one of the board of trustees.

There are now living two members of the class of '29, Hon. Daniel Roberts, LL. D., of Burlington, Vt., and Rev. Thomas J. Sawyer, S. T. D. of Tufts College.

[The writer is indebted for most of his facts to an article in the Potsdam, N. Y., Courier and Freeman, by Rev. Leonard T. Cole, Mr. Hurlburt's pastor. Through the courtesy of the publishers of that paper we are able to reproduce a photograph of Mr. Hurlburt.]

'68. Ginn & Company have recently published a volume of Exercises in Greek Composition by Edwin H. Higley, A.M., master at Groton, Mass., school. The exercises are based on Xenophon's Anabasis and Hellenica, with notes and vocabulary.

'69. We note in the *Advance* of Nov. 11, that the new building of Kingfisher College in Oklahoma has been named Parker Hall for Supt. J. H. Parker.

'72. In the *American Geologist* for November is a very appreciative notice of a Syllabus of General Geology for Students, with definitions, by Prof. C. W. Hall. It is planned as a guide for students in the study of the general principles of geology.

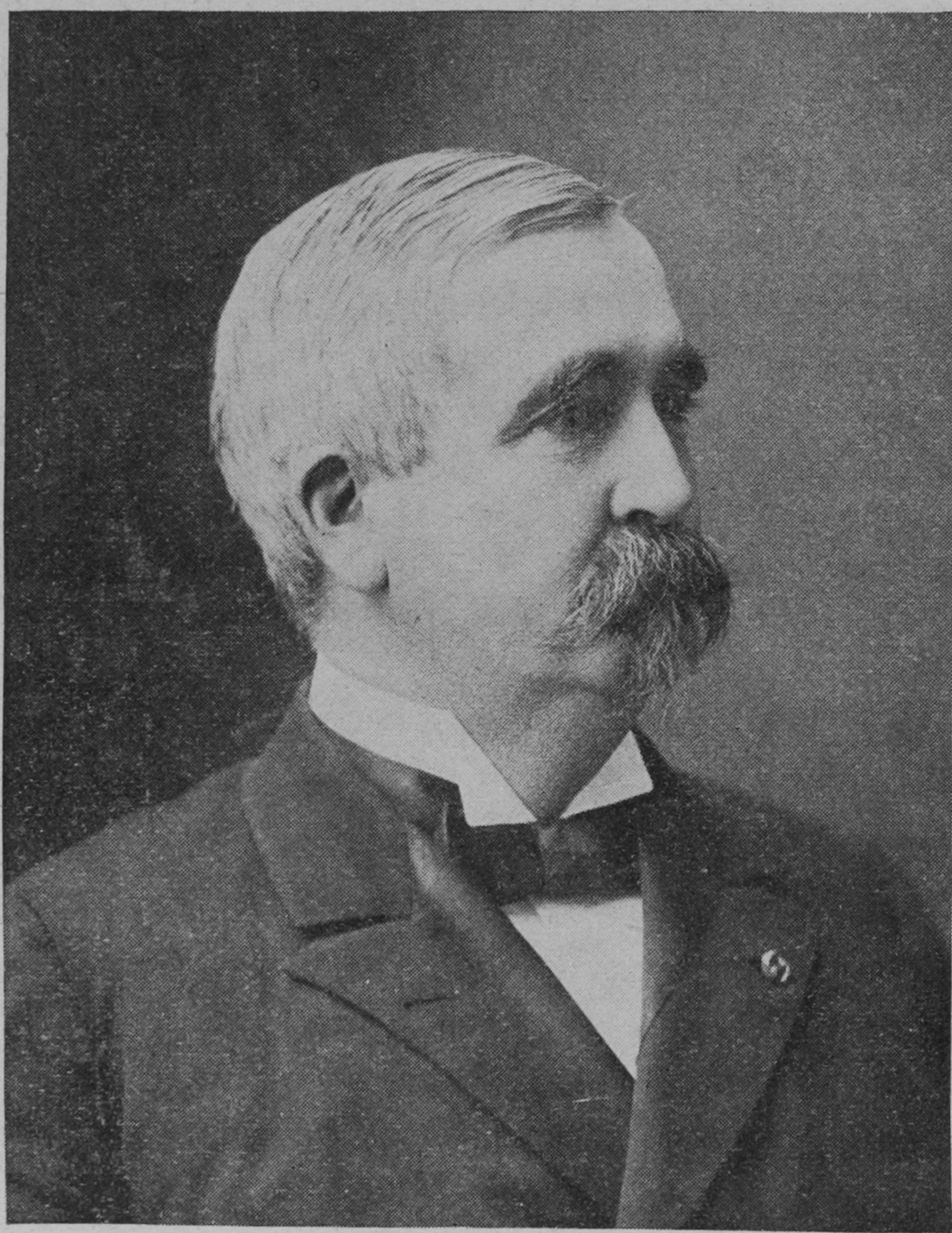
'88. In the *Morning Sun* of Norwich, N. Y., dated Nov. 26, is an account of the union Thanksgiving services there. A Thanksgiving hymn, written for the occasion by the pastor, Rev. E. J. Klock, was sung, to music arranged from Beethoven. Mr. Klock also preached the sermon which the paper reports to be faulty merely in point of brevity.

'97. Arthur Piper was married to Miss Clara Warner of Panton, Saturday morning, Nov. 13. The ceremony was performed at St. Paul's church in Vergennes by Rev. H. P. Grabau, pastor of the church. The wedding was private, only a few friends being present.

'97. M. D. Whitney was at college Nov. 13. He stopped over on his way home for a vacation of a few days.

'97. Cadwell was at college over Sunday, the 14th. He is still at Proctor, with the Vermont Marble Company.

'63. Through the kindness of Mr. Robert J. Thompson, publisher of "Chicago and the South," we are able to publish the picture of Judge Richard



JUDGE RICHARD S. TUTHILL.

S. Tuthill. The October number of that excellent magazine has a complete account of the proceedings of the Illinois delegation at the Tennessee Exposition. Among the many speeches was one by Judge Tuthill, which fully sustained his reputation as a graceful and eloquent orator.



She—Woman's mind is cleaner than that of man.
He—Certainly, she changes it oftener.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The new international literary weekly, "Literature," has been added to the periodicals taken in the library reading-room.

President Brainerd has recently turned over to the library some bound volumes and several hundred pamphlets, collected since his undergraduate days. Among the pamphlets are some rarities and many magazines needed to complete unfinished sets in the library.

During his recent trip to Middletown, Conn., to deliver a lecture before the University Club, Prof. Wright secured for the library some two dozen volumes of valuable works—most of them being from the well known publishing house of Macmillan Co. The library has also purchased sixteen volumes of standard literature from the catalogued stock of a Canada dealer.

RECENT ACCESSIONS.

Palgrave. Golden treasury of songs and lyrics; 2d series.

Boston Browning society papers.

Berdoo. Browning and the Christian faith.

Ribot. Psychology of the emotions.

Parish. Hallucinations and illusions.

Scripture. New psychology.

Winsor. Narrative and critical history of America. Eight vols.

Harrison. William the Silent. (Foreign statesmen series.)

Burton. Memorial day and other poems.

Rolfe. Elementary study of English.

Tolstoi. My confession and the spirit of Christ's teaching.

Mill. Early essays.

Feuillet. Romance of a poor young man.

Conn. Evolution of to-day.

Hayne. Poems.

Cox. Diversions of a diplomat in Turkey.

Johnson. Art of Thomas Hardy, with bibliography of his works.

Ober. In the wake of Columbus.

Dacey. The morning land. Two vols.

Campbell. Memoirs of my Indian career. Two vols.

Bower. Diary of a journey across Tibet.

Norgate. England under the Angevin kings. Two vols.

Rogers. Cobden and political opinion.

Wilson. Reciprocity, bimetallism and land-tenure.
 Todhunter. Whewell, his writings and letters.
 Two vols.

Davis, Thomas. Prose writings.

Defoe. Life of Capt. Singleton.

Harrison. Elizabethan England, from "Holinshed."

Heine. Prose writings.

Lord Herbert of Cherbury. Autobiography.

Hunt, Leigh. Essays.

Landor. Imaginary conversations.

Mazzini. Selected essays.

Reynolds. Discourses.

Shelley. Essays and letters.

Spence. Anecdotes and observations.

Whitman. Democratic vistas and other papers.

——— Specimen days in America.

Tyler. Literary history of the American Revolution. Two vols.

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON CONVENTION.

The 51st Annual Convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity was held at Chicago, Nov. 24th and 25th. Monday evening an informal reception was tendered the delegates at the D. K. E. chapter house of Chicago University. Tuesday evening a dance was given at Bournique's, and Wednesday evening occurred the annual banquet at the Palmer House. The next day all the delegates were taken to the Thanksgiving day football game in the Coliseum between Chicago University and University of Michigan. The closing event of the convention was a theatre party on Thursday evening at the Chicago opera house.

The representatives of the local chapter were H. L. Skeels, J. A. Peck, R. L. Rice, T. D. Wells and W. B. Dunton.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

On the afternoon of Oct 31 a special meeting was held with Prof. McGilton as leader. The subject considered was, "The Character of Christ." In Prof. McGilton's opening remarks he spoke of the supreme excellence of Christ's character. Going on, he discussed points which have been brought up by some as being inconsistent with the character, but which are not in reality. In conclusion he referred to the power of Christ's character for our example.

A missionary meeting was held Nov. 10. The special subject was Mackay of Uganda. Mackay's early life, his work as a missionary, and the results at Lake Nyanza were considered with much interest.

A year's subscription to McClure's Magazine has been given to the Young Women's Settlement of Ave. B, New York city.

LOCALS.

The Addison House has been beautified by a coat of paint, which, with the expensive repairs made, renders it the finest hotel in this vicinity.

The Ethan Allen chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution are to present a course of lectures on American History, during the winter months. The first of the series was given Nov. 19, at the rooms of the Ladies' Library association by Prof. D. McGregor Means. He took as his subject, "The Infamy of Colonial Times." The other speakers and dates will be as follows: Hon. William Slade, Dec. 10; Prof Howard, Jan, 21; Prof. Wright, Feb. 18; and Hon. J. W. Stewart, March 18.

The Chi Psi fraternity held its annual banquet at the Addison House, Nov. 16, Dr. M. H. Eddy, '60, acting as toastmaster. A number of the alumni were present.

A good majority of the college attended the rendition of "The Merchant of Venice" by Newton Beers, at the town hall, Nov. 12. The entertainment was under the direction of Professor Wright and we hope its success will encourage him to secure other lecturers or readers of no less merit.

The Pi Beta Phi fraternity recently gave a tea in their rooms in honor of their new patroness, Mrs. Paris Fletcher Chapman.

The Pi Beta Phi fraternity held their initiation at sunrise on the morning of October thirtieth. The initiates were the Misses Clara and Florence Andrews of the class of 1900 and the following from the Freshman class: Misses Nellie Button, Nellie Hadley, Charlotte Johnson, Marianne Landon, Florence Walker and Mildred Weld. The banquet followed in the evening of the same day. The alumnae present were Mary Pollard, Lena Roseman and Mabel Ware, class of '96; Ada A. Hurlburt, Ex. 97—U. V. M. '99, Bertha Collins Ex. 1900, and Miss Mary

E. Wright of Bristol, Vt., a former member of the chapter at Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

Greatly to the regret of all who were looking forward to another game with the University of Vermont, the manager of the football team was obliged to cancel all games after the one at Poultney, owing to lack of funds. In that game Middlebury met with a severe defeat, though the college was the first team to score against T. C. A. on their home grounds. The final score of 22—4 does not show the good playing of our men, but they were compelled to submit to a stronger team, much heavier, but not more scientific. Allen, 1900, had his shoulder severely dislocated and was out of half the game. Much as we regret the early closing of the season, the manager was right in cancelling future games when the money on hand ran out. It is far better not to play football than to incur debts as in former years. Still, next year we should have loyalty to contribute enough to carry the team through a full season. With such good prospects for success we should be willing to give good financial support to the men who spend their time training for the games, even if we cannot play ourselves.

EXCHANGES.

"Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
I don't wonder what you are,
You are evanescent gases
Hardening into solid masses."

PURPLE VIOLETS.

All violets were white as snow
When Love was constant, leal, and true.
But Love was false, and in their woe
They donned the sombre mourning hue.

—E. B. Kenner in *The Mountaineer*.

"I say, boy, stop that pig!" "I haven't any stopper!" "Well, head him, then!" "He's already headed, sir!" "Confound your impertinence, turn him!" "He's right side out, already!" "Speak to him, then, you rascal you!" "Good morning, Mr. Pig."

She—What do you raise in the south during the rainy season?

He—Umbrellas.

He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not—he is a freshman. Shun him.

He who knows not, and knows that he knows—he is a sophomore. Pity him.

He who knows, and knows not that he knows—he is a junior. Honor him.

He who knows, and knows that he knows—he is a senior. Reverence him.

After receiving its share of the Stanford estate, Stanford University will have an income three times as great as that of Harvard, the richest American university.

If a college girl hears of another girl being kissed, she is horribly shocked, but under favorable circumstances she will let the same thing happen right under her own nose.

Chauncey M. Depew says that sixty per cent. of the positions of high trust in this country are filled by college graduates, and the other forty per cent. are very largely controlled by college men.

THE WAIL OF A TORTURED SOUL.

[Dedicated to Latin Sci Men.]

I once dreamed a dream as I looked through the
pane
Of a window that smiled on God's world;
Where the flowers kept time to the wind-rustled
grain,
And the sunbeams in bright spirals curled.

For an instant I fancied my nostrils were blest
With the scent of the clover-tops white;
And my lungs opened wide, in a fond, longing quest
For the air laden sweet with delight.

When the thought of five dollars I'd paid for the
mess,

In my tortured breast fiercely uprose,
For a mixture of gases and new H₂S
Was what greeted my sensitive nose.

HCl, belching direly the misty white fumes,
Made my throat like a badly smoothed slab,
And I knew that I sat in that foretaste of tombs,
Which is known as the chemical Lab.

An editorial in the Wesleyan Argus on the function of the college paper seemed to contain so